

REMARKS

The Office Action of December 23, 2004 has been received and its contents carefully considered. The Office Action takes the position that the Amendment filed on September 23, 2004 is not fully responsive because of the problems in claims 8 and 38-43. In reply, the present "Response" forwards a corrected set of claim amendments. The corrected set of claim amendments deletes an unnecessary second presentation of "computer-readable medium" from the preamble of claim 8, and underlines "computer-readable medium" in the preambles of claims 38-43. Accordingly, it is respectfully submitted that the informalities noted in the Office Action of December 23, 2004 have now been corrected.

The corrected set of claim amendments shows changes from the original claims, not changes from the claims as presented in the Amendment filed September 23, 2004 (for example, claim 1 in the corrected set of claim amendments is presented the same way that claim 1 was presented in the Amendment filed September 23, 2004, but it still retains the "currently amended" status identifier and shows the verbal changes that were made in the Amendment filed September 23, 2004). That is, the corrected set of claim amendments shows the claims as they should have been shown originally in the Amendment filed September 23, 2004.

During preparation of the corrected set of claim amendments, an error was noted in claim 12. The Amendment filed September 23, 2004 should have added "pre-initial conditional breakpoint" at line 6 of the claim, but added "pre-initial condition breakpoint"

instead. The corrected set of claim amendments forwarded by the present Response corrects "condition" at line 6 of claim 12 to "conditional."

Allowance of the application for the reasons advanced in the Amendment filed September 23, 2004 is respectfully requested.

Respectfully submitted,

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